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REMARKS

Turning first to the Examiner's drawing objection, He is most respectfully requested to reconsider his requirement to label the elements shown schematically in FIG. 4. These elements are not indicated by symbols, but rather are shown in outline form and they comprise elements of groups indicated by reference numerals in the specification.

As to the non-English characters in FIGS. 6 and 7, the identity of the boxes is irrelevant and the characters have no simple translation. They also are also shown only as examples and the actual information indicated is only for example as described in the specification as described in paragraphs 0031-0033.

The Examiner's objection to FIG. 8 is well taken, and attached hereto is a proposal for correction.

The claims, particularly the two independent claims have been amended extensively to emphasize their distinctions over the art of record and the Examiner is most courteously requested to reconsider his rejection in light of this amendment. In addition the Examiner's well taken objections to claims 1 and 5 have been addressed as requested.

Specifically independent claims 1 and 5 have been amended to further define what is believed to be an important and patentable distinction over the Wiley et al reference. That is applicants invention is directed to a method and apparatus for testing a plurality of different and selected, external electrical devices without the direct use in the testing apparatus of a personal computer. The personal computer is separate from the testing device and method and is utilized only to load a testing program into the testing device and thus forms no function in the actual testing, determination and display of the test results.

Wiley, on the other hand utilizes an integrated testing apparatus <u>into</u> the total electrical device for testing its components during the operation of the device. Thus this device cannot and does not test a variety of selected external electrical devices as now very specifically claimed. Also Wiley et al specifically uses a personal computer as an integral part of his overall device unlike applicant.

In view of the foregoing, favorable action is most respectfully requested.

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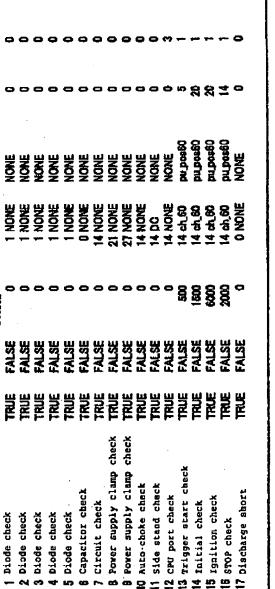
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